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[State Normal School, Whitewater, WI], 1919-1930

STATE NORMAL SCHOOL  
WHITEWATER, WISCONSIN

Am. Mammalian Society of N. Y.

Sydney P. Huxley -

Dear Sir. We are organizing a  
mammalian society here and want to get  
into touch with various people & collectors -  
I notice in the Mammalist that have a  
quantity of publications. As I have never seen  
it - I'd like to ask if it is possible for  
me to borrow some representative issue  
I'll return same after notes & annotation.  
I don't know that our little society will  
feel it can subscribe but we'd like to  
consider the matter. We have a state conservation  
school and are interested in modern com-  
munity. We have 3 small collections here.

yours respectfully  
A. H. Yoder

Mar 15



March 7th, 1919.

Mr. Albert H. Yoder, President,  
State Normal School,  
Whitewater, Wisconsin.

Dear Sir:-

I have your letter of March 1st, and am very glad to learn that you contemplate organizing a numismatic club. I also note that you desire to see a copy of our publication which is now an annual rather than a quarterly. Under separate cover I am sending for your examination a copy of Volume I of our Journal which, though not so representative as Volume LI which accompanies it, will show the standard we endeavor to maintain for our Journal. I am not sure that it would be advisable for your Society to become a subscriber, much though I should like to have this done. Perhaps there may be some one among you who would be interested enough to subscribe for it personally and place the copies at the disposal of your members. It seems to me that the Numismatist would be rather more helpful along the lines of modern numismatics, and if you do not have a file I think we could send you copies for several years back should you so desire.

Our Society is warmly in sympathy with your idea and if we can in any way co-operate will gladly do so. Please feel free to write me further and in greater detail. In the meantime I will consider whether there may not be some additional ways whereby our organization can be of service to you.

Very cordially yours,

Secretary.



ALBERT H. YODER,  
PRESIDENT

STATE NORMAL SCHOOL

WHITEWATER, WISCONSIN

March 13, 1919.

Mr. Sydney P. Noe,  
American Numismatic Society,  
Broadway Avenue and 156 St.,  
New York City, New York.

My dear Mr. Noe:-

I have your reply of March 7. You surely are greeting your newest members in a cordial way. Mr. Goff, who is our teacher of commercial mathematics and myself are the members of the faculty who are really interested in numismatics. We are both sending our membership to the association, Mr. Goff through Mr. Curry of Baraboo, Wisconsin and I through T. E. Leon of Chicago. It isn't likely that the students will care to become members of the association.

If it is possible and Mr. Curry thinks it is, I should like to have our society recognized and given a number. It will consist always of a few adults, members of the faculty and a number of students interested in the subject. These will change year by year and it is not advisable to ask them to become members of the association, I think, but we should like to feel that we are a member of the big family. Mr. Curry states that there is no society in the state of Wisconsin, the two which he organized having disbanded. We are proud to be the only society in the state.

We have a good beginning in the way of a commercial museum. In the course of the next few years we are to have a new building. I am planning to use the entire upstairs for museum purposes and we will have one room especially constructed to house our numismatic and historical commercial papers. We are trying to get samples of early legal and commercial papers, wild cat money, etc. You say that you are willing to help us. I am going to take advantage of your offer at once. Would it be possible for you or someone in the museum to see some of the banks of New York City, presumably the City Bank, and determine whether it is possible to buy, at the right figure, the exhibit which we want especially? We want a set of the chief coins of each of the important commercial nations. We think that we ought to be able to get these for from three to seven dollars per nation. Of the unimportant nations we want a few of the smaller coins. If this is not the best way to obtain the exhibit, will you make a suggestion. This will be paid for by the State of Wisconsin,



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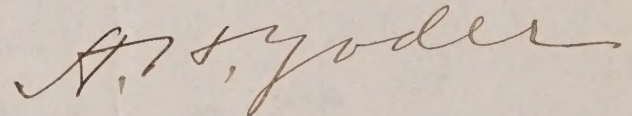
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Mr. Sydney P. Noe--Continued.

but we will be obliged to buy as closely as if it were a private collection.

We would be very pleased to accept your kind offer to give us some of the copies which you have of the Numismatist. We certainly shall want to keep Vol. I of the American Journal of Numismatics, but I fear that we shall be obliged to return the Vol. LI. Will you be kind enough to send us such printed information concerning the subject as is convenient. We are building our collection of books and pamphlets from the beginning. It is hoped that this society may continue for many years, because of its connection with a state institution. I am planning soon to send a circular letter to bankers, older business men and people interested in Wisconsin history to stimulate interest and gifts to our collection. You may be very sure that I appreciate the fine spirit of your letter and that I shall be obliged to call on you many times for advice.

Yours respectfully,



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March 22nd, 1919.

Albert H. Yoder, Esq.,  
State Normal School,  
Whitewater, Wisconsin.

Dear Mr. Yoder:-

Your letter of March 13th is at hand. I note that you will retain Volume I of the American Journal of Numismatics, and that you are sending back Volume II, which has not as yet been received.

I am a little in doubt as to whether you desire to have your Society become a member of the American Numismatic Society or the Association. These are two distinct organizations as you doubtless know. Our Society helps support the Numismatist which is the organ of the Association. If you did mean that you thought it desirable for your organization to enroll as an associate member of our Society, I think it would be better to have you as President take out the membership in your name in order to avoid the complications incident to a club with a shifting membership. I am sending the two volumes of the Numismatist as a contribution to the work of your club.

With regard to the request for aid in securing a series of the coins of the important commercial nations, I have taken the liberty of referring that part of your letter to a New York dealer whom I consider very well fitted for aiding you in this regard. I doubt very much that the State Bank will be able to help you as effectively as Mr. Rudolph Kohler will be able to do. I am enclosing a carbon of my letter to him for your information.

I trust you will feel that we are glad to be of assistance whether you or some other member of your club becomes an associate member of our Society or not. I think this would be desirable because it would perhaps make you feel freer to ask for assistance. I shall be only too glad to advise you with regard to building up your library or add to your collection. We should, of course, be very glad to welcome any of your people to our Museum whenever



they are in New York.

Awaiting your further word, I beg to remain,

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary.



# STATE COMMERCIAL NORMAL SCHOOL

## COMMERCIAL MUSEUM

H. O. Lathrop, Commercial Commodities  
Thomas T. Goff, Numismatics  
A. H. Yoder, Historical Commercial Papers

Whitewater, Wisconsin

My Dear Sir:

We are making an effort to collect samples of the Civil War and trade tokens commonly used as pennies up to the close of 1863. These were issued by the merchants because of the shortage of the U. S. change. According to the best information I have there were different tokens issued by persons in your town. Also we are trying to collect samples of the old private bank bills issued from 1850 to 1863. As these were later redeemed as far as possible, it is now hard to get samples. We have several and hope to get more. There were fully one hundred Wisconsin Banks issuing this kind of money and it is likely that someone in your community still has one or more of these bills. We will pay a reasonable amount for the bills, if necessary. This is a state institution and whatever is presented to the museum becomes the property of the State of Wisconsin. Acknowledgment of such gifts will be made to the proper person. When we have succeeded in getting a reasonable collection, we intend to publish some account of both the tokens and the private bank bills, a copy of which will be sent to you. The museum also wishes to receive gifts of early and interesting historical commercial papers, for example: we would be pleased to have a paid check signed by the first president or cashier of your bank or any other well known person of your community. We will leave the selection to you. Such a collection when gathered from all parts of the State will be of great interest. We wish early deeds of property, tax list, tax receipts, mortgages, or any other commercial paper of historical interest.

If you are not interested in this letter will you be kind enough to hand it to someone in your community who is interested in historical matters? Thanking you for your interest and cooperation, I am

Yours respectfully,

### WE WANT:-

1. Civil War Trade Tokens, or pennies, of Wisconsin.
2. Broken Bank Bills of early Wisconsin banks.
3. Cancelled checks issued by men of importance in our state - one check from each person.
4. Old legal and commercial papers of Wisconsin.
5. One or two of your blank checks now in use.

☞ If this line is checked see other side of letter.



April 28, 1919

Mr. A.H. Yoder  
President, State Normal School  
White Water, Wisconsin

Dear Mr. Yoder:

I have your letter of the 19th, and must congratulate you on the progress that you are able to record for your Organization. It will be entirely satisfactory for you to pay for the volume of our Journal on July 1st.

I will pass on your questions regarding trade tokens of Wisconsin to our Curator, and to another one of our members who has knowledge of these things, and I trust they will be able to give you some of the information you desire. I think your plan of linking up the interests of bankers is a good one ---- it is amazing what can be accomplished by mere systematization of effort along lines such as these. I am sure you will find your interest increasing rather than the contrary, and should we locate any duplicates that may be of interest to you, I will ask our Curator to let you know about them.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary



STATE NORMAL SCHOOL  
WHITEWATER, WISCONSIN

Sydney P. Norr.  
New York City

Dear Sir:

I wish to express the thanks of our society for the two volumes of *Minismatics*. They are of special value and will be toward. in July. I can not draw on our book funds for the \$5.00 in our until July 1<sup>st</sup> as our book fund is exhausted until the beginning of the next fiscal year. I am returning the other volume. As you suggested, it is not wise for us at this time to take membership in your society.

We are making progress in our plans and by July 1<sup>st</sup> will have made a good beginning. May I ask another favor. Some one says you have a fine collection of trade tokens of Wis. that you have 401 of the 450 odd tokens of this state. Will you please give me the inscription on the tokens of Whitewater Wis.? We have 2 - I have seen 2 others. Scott's list says 8 were issued. I'd like to know the others. Scott gives 47 different localities - We have 22 now and 107 tokens. Am in touch with a number of people who may be able to supply us with more. Do you know of any good source in N. Y. Am in correspondence with Mr. Kahler whose name you gave me.



His 666. are very scarce. I have two and promise  
of others, just now I have 2 proofs \$500 - too  
high! are these proofs O.K. Is there any chance  
that the owners of the plates have allowed  
proofs to be struck recently? I have written this  
question to A. B. N. Co of N.Y.C. for an opinion  
Am I safe in buying at right price their "proofs"  
Am gathering a lot of valuable information about  
these bills. Having prepared 300 letters & bankers  
asking for bills of course but also history, etc,  
am in touch with state authorities. Still  
have material for a good paper by fall.  
My other numerous duties suffer because  
of this new interest - but it is so absorbing!  
Just thought I'd let you know of checks, deeds,  
etc from Sparrowth of Pottsville, Pa. I am  
starting out to collect cancelled checks from  
all kinds of people. present & past. The more  
I delve into this thing the more interesting  
it becomes. Could not get any interesting cancelled  
checks for me could you? No. I can not  
trigger but the state needs this  
material. Going to Chgo for two days  
this week & will have some time to spend  
on memorabilia.

With kind regards

A.H. Yoder

Apr 19-

WISCONSIN COMMERCIAL MUSEUM  
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My dear Mr. Nor,

your kind letter of Apr. 28  
at hand. Yes we are making some  
progress - slow but if continued will  
give us the kind of a museum we desire to  
have. We now have 500+ coins - nearly  
all U. S. & modern foreign. I am getting  
a good assortment of broken bank bills  
from all the states and all new tokens  
possible. I have purchased some good  
historical material and have for more. I  
enclose the bank letter. Of course the bank  
will not have the cancelled checks - but their judg-  
ment would be good in securing records of  
the people. Already have 25 or 30 such checks  
from our state and a few from outside.  
When I got in touch with a man I try to  
induce him to give us a check of some  
significance - For example the Wm. Com. of  
Banking - was a Colonel under Gen. Miles.  
He will give me a check written - Porto Rico.  
Can't always arouse sufficient interest to obtain  
such a check but I'll do my best. It will  
take years to collect such an assortment of  
signatures. Just received several gifts from  
family of Shales the inventor of the typewriter  
one an old machine which he helped to make  
1870 - This is all Commercial Museum mat-  
erial. I shall await with interest the  
report of the curator your respectfully  
A. H. H. H.



February 3, 1920

Mr. Albert H. Yoder  
State Normal School  
Whitewater, Wisconsin

My dear Mr. Yoder:

I am unable to find that we received your remittance for the Dictionary of Humismatic Names sent you last summer, and I am writing to ask whether our records are correct in this regard.

I think you wrote me that you would take care of the matter after July 1st. I presume it may have slipped your attention.

Very respectfully yours,

Secretary.



## THE UNIVERSITY



## OF NORTH DAKOTA

## EXTENSION DIVISION

ALBERT H. YODER, Director  
BEATRICE OLSON, Secretary

GRAND FORKS  
Post Address, University, North Dakota

February 10, 1920

Mr. Sydney P. Noe,  
The American Numismatic Society,  
Broadway between 155-156 Streets,  
New York City.

My dear Mr. Noe:

*Have written today -*

I have your note of February 3. You will note that I have changed my address. We left Whitewater the middle of August. I am sorry to say that I am to blame for the failure to pay for the dictionary of numismatic names. I fully meant to make a requisition for this in July. There were so many things to do that I entirely forgot it. I am not at all certain that the school would now be willing to pay such a bill, but I will take it up with them. My successor is not interested in numismatics so far as I can find out. If they will not pay the bill, I think they will at least return the publication, and I presume the book is in just as good condition as when it was sent to us. It was never used publicly, because I put it aside until it should be paid for.

In the course of the next year or two I hope to be able to interest some people here in numismatics. I shall probably put a small collection of money into our school exhibits next year. These are to be sent from town to town for the purpose of instruction. Later I hope to see a numismatic collection established in connection with the School of Commerce here.

With kind regards, I am

Yours respectfully,

*A. H. Yoder*

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DIRECTOR OF EXTENSION DIVISION



C. M. YODER

DIRECTOR OF COMMERCIAL DEPARTMENT

STATE NORMAL SCHOOL

WHITEWATER, WISCONSIN

February 16, 1920

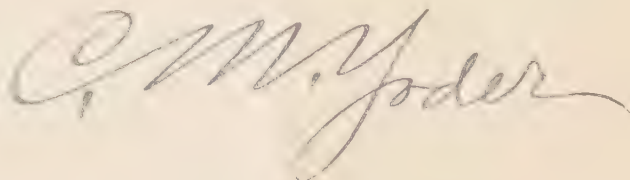
The American Numismatic Society  
Broadway & 156th Street  
New York City

Gentlemen:

We are sending you, under separate cover by parcel post, a volume which was bought by Mr. Albert H. Yoder last spring.

Mr. Yoder was then President of the Whitewater Normal School but is now the Director of the Extension Division of the University of North Dakota. It is at Mr. Yoder's request that we are sending you this volume.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "C. M. Yoder", written in a cursive style.

CMY/RSK.



February 21, 1920

C. H. Yoder, Esq.  
Director Commercial Dept.  
State Normal School  
Wittenwater, Wisconsin

Dear Sir:

In response to yours of February 16th, I beg to advise that we have received the volume of which you write.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.



February 21, 1920

Mr. A. H. Yoder  
Director of Extension Division  
University of North Dakota  
University, N.D.

Dear Sir:

In response to your letter of February 10th, I  
beg to advise that we have received the returned Dictionary of  
Bunickale Names from Whiteoaker.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.



THE UNIVERSITY



OF NORTH DAKOTA

EXTENSION DIVISION

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BEATRICE OLSON, Secretary

GRAND FORKS  
Post Address, University, North Dakota

April 22, 1920

Sidney P. Noe, Secretary,  
American Numismatic Society,  
Broadway near 155 St.,  
New York City

My dear Mr. Noe:

The subject of our last correspondence was the payment of the bill for the special volume of the American Journal of Numismatics by the State Normal School at Whitewater. I have been informed that the bill has been paid.

I am writing you now for information. On a recent trip East, I visited the Minnesota State Historical Museum to look over their numismatic collection. They have done one thing which pleases me very much--made a collection of most of the early bank bills of Minnesota. They do not have any list of these bills and I am hoping that you will be kind enough to help me out in this particular. Can you have some one write out the name of the bank or the party issuing the bills and the different denominations of each issue for all the early bank bills issued in what is now the state of Minnesota? Do you know of any one who is especially interested in this particular subject, with whom I can communicate?

On the other hand, the original collector for the museum has made no effort to get the Civil War trade tokens or store cards issued in the state. Will you be kind enough to give me a list of the towns and, if possible, the names of the firms issuing such tokens? There probably was not a very large number. The present curator of the museum is willing to spend some time and money in collecting both the bills and the tokens. Perhaps you could indicate the tokens which you have in your valuable collection.

Perhaps I should explain that my interest in the Minnesota collection is due to the fact that I have been appointed District Secretary for Wisconsin, Minnesota, North and South Dakota, and am getting into touch with every public collection with a view to making a few suggestions, especially concerning these early bank bills and tokens. They are fast disappearing, and I wish to see that every effort is made to collect them while there is still some opportunity.

Thanking you for this favor, I am

Yours respectfully,

AHY/C

DIRECTOR OF EXTENSION DIVISION



April 26th, 1920.

A. H. Yoder, Esq.,  
University Extension Division,  
University, N. D.

Dear Mr. Yoder:-

In response to your letter of the 22nd, I am sorry that I can give you very little aid. Mr. Wood, our Curator, is leaving for an extensive vacation, and there is no one here who can prepare such a list of paper money as you want. As very little has been published on this subject, whoever takes it up in your section will have a virgin field and an opportunity for doing some excellent work.

Regarding the tokens, a list has just been published by Mr. Edgar H. Adams, 40 Fourth Avenue, Brooklyn, N.Y. This describes thirteen Wisconsin pieces but I fail to find any Minnesota issues listed. This is the sort of work that some one on the ground can accomplish whereas Mr. Adams, who is working at a dishwasher, was at a disadvantage.

Hoping that my letter will not discourage you but rather stimulate your efforts, I beg to remain

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary.

# THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA

## EXTENSION DIVISION

ALBERT H. YODER, DIRECTOR

DEPARTMENT OF INSTRUCTION  
SEYMOUR E. ANDERSON, SEC.

UNIVERSITY STATION  
GRAND FORKS, N. DAK.

Dec. 7, 1928.

American Numismatic Society,  
Broadway at 156th Street,  
Sydney P. Noe, Sec.,  
New York City, N. Y.

My dear Sir:

I think that I have not bothered you very many times about Numismatic questions, but as I live in a part of the country where there is almost a complete absence of printed matter on this subject, I am obliged to look somewhere for information. I have a coin sent to me by a person who wants to know what it is and what it is worth. I do not imagine it is worth very much and possibly it is not a coin. I think the diagrams which I have made on the enclosed card will be such as to enable you to identify the coin without sending it to you. It is evidently a poured coin and the metal is quite like bronze though it does not seem to be bronze. One face is wider than the other so that the edge of the coin is not at right angles with the body of the coin. The metal failed to pour or else the dye was defective on one side, indicated in the picture. One side does not seem to contain any letters, but just small cavities. These are not entirely regular, some being much smaller than others. The dye seems to have been poorly centered on the other side.

Will you please tell me what country issued this, the name of the coin, and its approximate value in our money.

Yours respectfully,

AY:SG

Enc.





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Dec. 7, 1928

Mr. Sydney P. Noe, Sec.,  
American Numismatic Society,  
New York City, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Noe:

While I am writing, I will also ask you a question which has occurred to me at various times. As you know, Mr. Wismer is running a long series of articles on obsolete paper money. In the current issue of the Numismatist, on page 718 is shown a bill of the Newark Bank & Insurance Company. What is the oldest bank note of this kind issued after the United States came into existence? The oldest one I have been able to find is that of the bank of Detroit issued in 1806. If there are any others issued, will you be kind enough to give me a little information on this subject?

Yours respectfully,

*A. H. Yoder*

AY:SG



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Yours respectfully,



AY:SG

17th December, 1928

Mr. A. H. Yoder,  
The University of North Dakota,  
Grand Forks, N. Dak.

Dear Mr. Yoder:

Your letters of the 7th would have been answered previously had I not written to Dr. Wismer and if his reply had not been delayed. I am sending it herewith; please return it.

The coin of which you send a drawing is a Moroccan or North African piece, dated according to the Mohammedan era; that is, from the Hegira, which makes the piece fall within the last fifty years. You are right in thinking them cast coins. Their value, of course, is very slight. Its approximate value in our money would be under one cent.

Please do not hesitate to write us with any questions that trouble you. This is a slight service which we are very glad to render to out-of-town members.

Very truly yours,

Secretary



# UNIVERSITY EXTENSION DIVISION

ALBERT H. YODER, DIRECTOR

UNIVERSITY STATION  
GRAND FORKS, N. D.  
January 7, 1929.

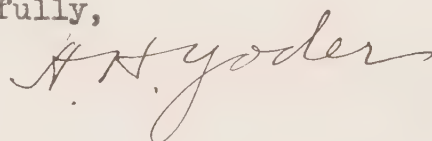
Mr. Sydney P. Noe  
American Numismatic Society  
Broadway between 155th and 156th Streets  
New York City

My dear Mr. Noe:

A lady wants to know about the following coin. I have not seen it but evidently it is a copper piece about the size of our "penny" with a figure of a lion over the date, 1877, on one side, and on the other side the name "Netherlands" and the value "1 cent" in a wreath. She also says there are two German words on the value side of the coin, but she does not read German.

I feel quite sure that this is a coin of no special value but my inquirer is very anxious to know. If these unimportant questions are troublesome just hint the matter tactfully and I will not write you unless I have some real problem. I have no way of knowing the value of coins.

Yours respectfully,



AHY/V

14th January, 1929

Mr. H. H. Yoder,  
Grand Forks, N.D.

Dear Mr. Yoder:

The coin you describe in your letter of the 7th is, as you suspect, a common piece struck in the Netherlands and of no especial value.

Do not hesitate to write us about anything of this kind that troubles you to locate. We know how difficult it is to obtain source material sometimes and are only too glad to render this service to our members.

Cordially yours,

Secretary



# UNIVERSITY EXTENSION DIVISION

ALBERT H. YODER, DIRECTOR

UNIVERSITY STATION  
GRAND FORKS, N. D.  
January 15, 1929.

Mr. Sydney P. Noe  
American Numismatic Association  
Broadway between 155th and 156th Street  
New York City

My dear Mr. Noe:

How is your patience? Do I still have some credit with you?  
This question is not quite like the previous ones, however.

I have received a brass piece one inch in diameter, a commemorative piece dated January 21, 1793. On one side is "Lud. XVI Rex Galli. Defunctus." In the center of the coin is the likeness of Louis XVI. On the opposite side in the center is an urn and on the side of the urn is "LOUIS XVI." Above this is the phrase "Sol regni abiit." At the foot of the urn is the crown resting on its side and on the right is the scepter lying at the base of the urn. Beneath that are the letters "D 21 Jan ~~1793~~."   
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Now my questions are these: What would you call this piece? It is not a coin, it is not a token, it is not a medal, altho I suppose it might be called a commemorative medal. Where was this coin probably executed? Naturally it was not issued by the people who executed Louis XVI. Then who did issue it? I am wondering if it is not from some English source. My inquirer wants to know its value. The piece is in good condition, I should say. Everything is perfectly plain except the lower part of "1793." There is a little nick in the margin. Are these coins quite common? Was it customary to issue such commemorative pieces after the death of rulers?

I am not sending the coin because I think you will be familiar with it.

Thanking you for this advice, I am

Yours respectfully,

*A. H. Yoder*

AHY/V

19th January, 1929

Mr. A. H. Yoder, Director,  
University Extension Division,  
Grand Forks, N.D.

Dear Mr. Yoder:

Mr. Noe has referred your letter to me for reply. The little brass piece commemorating the death of Louis XVI is known as a jeton or medalet. From the workmanship, I should judge it was made in Germany, where quantities of such things were made, especially in Nuremberg. The piece is common and has no value. Great quantities of them must have been made because we have eight different dies.

Very truly yours,

Curator



THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA  
EXTENSION DIVISION

ALBERT H. YODER, DIRECTOR

GRAND FORKS, N. D.

March 20, 1930.

The American Numismatic Society  
Broadway Between 155th and 156th Streets  
New York City

My dear Mr. Noe:

We are preparing to have a hobby show in Grand Forks March 31 and April 1. I have been asked to take charge of the numismatic booth. This I am very glad to do although I am not an expert on coins. As you know, all that the average person wants to know about a coin is: "What is it and what is it worth?"

A boy called on me the other day to have me identify a coin which I do not know. It is a bronze coin from Syracuse from the period of 300-400 B. C. I am not at all certain of which face is used, but on the reverse is the well-known figure of the driver of four horses attached to a chariot. Is this called Pegasus?

The thing which bothers me is this: Below the line representing the ground on which the horses tread is a line of Greek which I do not have with me at this time, and underneath this motto in Greek are the Roman numerals M DCCCLXVI (I think). These figures are quite plain and I do not understand them.

The coin is about the size of a half dollar. It is bronze and looks like a genuine Greek bronze coin. Will you be kind enough to tell me what this coin is so that I may have the information by May 31?

I am planning to attend a meeting of the extension directors to be held in New York City May 7-10. If it is possible to do so I am planning to spend an hour in your museum. I would like to shake hands with you and to get a general idea of the exhibit. I realize that an hour will not accomplish much but I can see some things that I particularly care to see.

Thanking you for attention to my request, I am

Yours respectfully,

*A. H. Yoder*

March 24, 1930

Professor Albert H. Yoder  
The University of North Dakota  
Grand Forks, N. D.

Dear Professor Yoder:

Your letter of the 20th is at hand and I am very glad that there is a prospect of our seeing you when you reach New York.

Concerning the coin of which you write, I consider that this must be a token of some sort, because, of course, no Greek coin would have the date of 1886. If you could send us a pencil rubbing of the piece we may be able to locate it more accurately.

When you reach here we can put you in touch with several books which may be of use to you.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary.



THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA  
EXTENSION DIVISION

ALBERT H. YODER, DIRECTOR

GRAND FORKS, N. D.  
November 20, 1930

Sidney P. Noe  
Sec. American A. N. S.  
Broadway at 156 Street  
New York City

My dear Mr. Noe:

A woman in Wisconsin writes me for a price on a coin which she believes to be of value. I do not have the book of tokens issued by Dr. Deitrich, was it not? The woman writes me that this is an ordinary copper coin, size of our present penny. One side has the likeness of Abraham Linclon on it and the words, "Abraham Linclon for president." On the other is the likeness of Andrew Johnson with the words, "Andrew Johnson for Vice-president."

This woman knows nothing about coins and someone has "stuffed" her, as we say in the West. It is possible this piece may be rare. If so can you suggest the probable value?

When I called at the Museum we discussed a plan of trying to ~~pre-~~obtain a small piece of Swedish money. I am still in the same frame of mind, and if you can find a small piece at a reasonable price I would like to have it. We have many Scandinavians in the State and I am sure they would be interested in such of piece.

I still remember with pleasure the visit I paid to you and your institution. I only wish it were possible for me to visit such places more often. I had an equally good time while calling upon Sec. of the American Geological Society. Kind regards, I am

Yours respectfully,

A. H. Yoder





November 26, 1930

Albert H. Yoder, Esq.  
Director, Extension Division  
University of N. Dakota  
Grand Forks, N. D.

My dear Mr. Yoder:

It was very pleasant to receive your letter of November 20th, and to have you express the pleasure which your visit to our Museum gave. The coin which you describe is not an uncommon one and its value would be very slight - not more than five cents.

Regarding the Swedish plate money, I know that a piece is coming up in the approaching sale of B. Max Mehl, Fort Worth, Texas. Mr. Robertson tells me that this piece is worth from eight to ten dollars, but that he is not able to refer you to another specimen just at present. Have you written to the St. Louis Coin and Stamp Company, (408 Olive Street, St. Louis, Missouri)? It is possible that they would have specimens on hand which might be obtained for less than the sum named. Of course, there is no way of telling of the condition of the piece in Mr. Mehl's auction before purchasing it.

With cordial regards,

Sincerely yours,

Secretary.